

## FAILED TO BECOME LAWS

GOV. O'FERRALL VETOED THIRTEEN MEASURES.

He Withholds His Signature from Others.  
Review of the More Important Bills  
Killed in Either House.

During the session of the General Assembly just closed 64 bills were introduced in the Senate. According to the rules of that body, all bills are ordered to be printed as soon as they are introduced. In the House of Delegates the bills are only ordered to be printed after they have been reported from the committees or on special resolution agreed to by the House, or when the rules are suspended and the bills placed on the calendar at the time of their introduction. The number of printed bills in the House at the end of the session was 23. Besides, there were about 160 bills left in the various committees, which died a natural death after having been referred to the committee.

The large majority of all the bills introduced in the Legislature have been placed on the statute-book in the regular way, but quite a number have failed to become laws by the action of either house, or the latter failed to sign them after the General Assembly had failed to transact legislative business.

Among the important bills which failed for one or the other cause to become law were the "expatriation" bill, the campbell bill, providing that all judges, members of the Legislature and certain other officers be furnished with passes by all railroads, the Utz amendment to the Mason bill, to remove the restriction which at present prevents railroads from issuing passes to members of the General Assembly, and the Cooke bill, requiring all common carriers hereafter charterers, or those who desire amendments to their existing charters, to furnish passes to members of the General Assembly. All originated and died in the House.

No bill could be secured for the action of the Supreme Court of Appeals of the circuit judges. The bill defining the powers of the State Board of Health failed to get through the Senate, but it never got into the House.

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A bill to prohibit preference in mercantile assignments failed to pass because of its position on the calendar. The bill was admirably drawn, and its able patron, Mr. Randolph Harrison, made several attempts to get it advanced in the House, but all were defeated by objections.

**Against the Virginia Historical Society.**

A rather meritorious bill, which met with its premature death in the House, was the one which provided for an annual appropriation of \$1,000 to be expended under the supervision of the Virginia Historical Society for the copying of all patent registers and other records relating to Virginia. The copies of which were to be added to the State Library. The bill was severely fought in the Finance Committee, and the same opponents prevented its passage in the House.

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An authoritative comment leaves no room

for doubt that the atrocious vivisection sometimes practiced or suggested by pseudo-scientists is as abhorrent to physiologists as it is to the public. On the other hand, the utility of legitimate vivisections in promoting the welfare of the human race and the races of domesticated animals has been abundantly demonstrated, and all persons during the past decade, in reference to brain surgery and bacterial diseases. This being freely conceded by practically all qualified observers, it would seem that the main difficulty in the question is that many of the vivisectionists are in a fair way to work out to the mutual satisfaction of vivisectionists and their abhorrence critics. But there is another difficulty, which has recently presented itself, which one cannot regard with so much satisfaction, namely, the growing practice of vivisection before the eyes of the class, there is no cessation. The medics come from the country, or surrounding small towns or settlements, seeking work or shelter, and almost immediately become a charge to the charity of the town.

Mr. Geo. C. Lohdell, of Wilmington, Del., for many years the head of the Delaware car wheel works, holding his name in high esteem. He operated a foundry, the largest iron furnaces of Wythe county a few years ago, shipping their products to Wilmington.

The success of the pugilistic contests at Sexton's Hall, last Saturday, as a financial venture, has resulted in firing the ardor of the pugs throughout the southwest. There will be another bout at Sexton's Hall on March 21st, between James Beuchler, of Wytheville, and James Gandy, a roughout in the Crescent Hotel Shoe Works, at Max Meadows, and a contest will be pulled off in Marion next month.

**Auditione Ministrorum.**

Bigger and Holland's Columbian Minstrels gave a performance at Utterburn Springs Friday night to a good audience. This combination is composed of the best talent in this city, and their exhibition was a finished one in every respect.

Mr. Garnett Winn, as interlocutor, and Messrs. Blaser, Holland, Davis and Cardoza on the ends, kept their audience in a roar of laughter during the entire first act, and the vocalists, Messrs. Jones, Jones, Sidney Burress, Leslie Melchior and Bass Grier, Jaben Jones, etc., were equally successful.

The special feature of the performance was the exhibition given by Master Robbie Morrisett and little Percy Finey, two youthful contortionists. They have never failed to make a hit wherever they have performed.

Herbert Paine and Hunter Cardoza did an excellent acrobatic act, while Wallace Bruce Laughton, in his specialty with the Indian clubs, bewildered his audience with his lightning rapidity and dexterity.

The Cardoza boys gave an exhibition of Indian sparring, which delighted the lovers of the sport who were among the audience. Charlie Vaughan did a clever song and dance specialty, and the performance closed with a rollicking farce entitled "The Corbett and Jackson Fight."

**Mr. Curtis' Birthday.**

Any American who aspires to live so that his birthday will be publicly remembered will do well to choose some other month than February to be born in. The title of George Washington's birth month is so generally honored that it is hard to find a month to establish a claim to any part of it. Even Lincoln's birthday gets less consideration than it would otherwise have because it falls in February, and too near the 22d.

The birthday of Mr. George William Curtis, laborer under a still more disadvantageous proximity. It did not fall, like Mr. Lowell's, on the 22d, but it did fall on the 21st, which month is so generally honored that it is hard to find a month to establish a claim to any part of it.

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—are misleading when taken without their qualifying context. The purport of the petition was to exhibit the injury done to the community by the confinement of debtors for small sums, and its major premise was the fact that of the 1,022 confined debtors, 700 were "entitled to a sum recoverable before a justice of the peace, and many of these under twenty shillings." Very reasonably, therefore, the memorialists urge that the confinement of debtors for such slight cause invites greatly to the injury of the community: "as thereby the certain profit which would arise to society from the labour of the debtors is lost, and the principal feature of the celebration this year was an address in the academy hall at Utterburn by Mr. William Winter, president of the board of trustees of the academy, wherein he recalled eloquently the purity and exalted quality of Mr. Curtis' life, and dwelt upon the practical usefulness of his example.—Harper's Weekly.

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